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TITLE:
                         Role of histidine interruption in mitigating the
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Polyglutamine expansions, leading to aggregation, have been implicated in AB various neurodegenerative disorders. The range of repeats observed in normal individuals in most of these diseases is 19-36, whereas mutant proteins carry 40-81 repeats. In one such disorder, spinocerebellar ataxia (SCA1), it has been reported that certain individuals with expanded polyglutamine repeats in the disease range (Q.sub.1.sub.2HQHQ.sub.1.sub.2HQHQ.sub.1.sub.4.sub./.sub.1.sub.5) but with histidine interruptions were found to be phenotypically normal. To establish the role of histidine, a comparative study of conformational properties of model peptide sequences with (Q.sub.1.sub.2HQHQ.sub.1.sub.2 HQHQ.sub.1.sub.2) and without (Q.sub.4.sub.2) interruptions is presented here. Q.sub.1.sub.2HQHQ.sub.1.sub.2HQHQ.sub.1.sub.2 displays greater solubility and lesser aggregation propensity compared to uninterrupted Q.sub.4.sub.2 as well as much shorter Q.sub.2.sub.2. The solvent and temperature-driven conformational transitions (β structure .rfwdarw. random coil $\rightarrow \alpha$ helix) displayed by these model polyQ stretches is also discussed in the present report. The study strengthens our earlier hypothesis of the importance of histidine interruptions in mitigating the pathogenicity of expanded polyglutamine tract at the SCAl locus. The relatively lower propensity for aggregation observed in case of histidine interrupted stretches even in the disease range suggests that at a very low concentration, the protein aggregation in normal cells, is possibly not initiated at all or the disease onset is significantly delayed. Our present study also reveals that besides histidine interruption, proline interruption in polyglutamine stretches can lower their aggregation propensity.

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TITLE: Solubilization and disaggregation of polyglutamine

peptides

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: IND23322105

TITLE: A Drosophila homolog of the polyglutamine

disease gene SCA2 is a dosage-sensitive regulator of

actin filament formation.

AUTHOR(S): Satterfield, T.F.; Jackson, S.M.; Pallanck, L.J.

AVAILABILITY: DNAL (442.8 G28)

SOURCE: Genetics, **Dec 2002.** Vol. 162, No. 4. p.

1687-1702

Publisher: Bethesda, Md. : Genetics Society of

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CODEN: GENTAE; ISSN: 0016-6731

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:36416961 BIOTECHNO

TITLE: Aggresomes protect cells by enhancing the degradation

of toxic polyglutamine-containing protein

AUTHOR: Taylor J.P.; Tanaka F.; Robitschek J.; Sandoval C.M.;

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SOURCE: Human Molecular Genetics, (01 APR 2003),

12/7 (749-757), 28 reference(s) CODEN: HMGEE5 ISSN: 0964-6906

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article COUNTRY: United Kingdom

LANGUAGE: English
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AB

Expression of misfolded protein in cultured cells frequently leads to the formation of juxtanuclear inclusions that have been termed 'aggresomes'. Aggresome formation is an active cellular response that involves trafficking of the offending protein along microtubules, reorganization of intermediate filaments and recruitment of components of the ubiquitin proteasome system. Whether aggresomes are benevolent or noxious is unknown, but they are of particular interest because of the appearance of similar inclusions in protein deposition diseases. Here we present evidence that aggresomes serve a cytoprotective function and are associated with accelerated turnover of mutant proteins. We show that mutant androgen receptor (AR), the protein responsible for X-linked spinobulbar muscular atrophy, forms insoluble aggregates and is toxic to cultured cells. Mutant AR was also found to form aggresomes in a process distinct from aggregation. Molecular and pharmacological interventions were used to disrupt aggresome formation, revealing their cytoprotective function. Aggresome-forming proteins were found to have an accelerated rate of turnover, and this turnover was slowed by inhibition of aggresome formation. Finally, we show that aggresome-forming proteins become membrane-bound and associate with lysosomal structures. Together, these findings suggest that aggresomes are cytoprotective, serving as cytoplasmic recruitment centers to facilitate degradation of toxic

proteins.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:34280215 BIOTECHNO

TITLE: Identities of sequestered proteins in aggregates from

cells with induced polyglutamine expression

AUTHOR: Suhr S.T.; Senut M.-C.; Whitelegge J.P.; Faull K.F.;

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SOURCE: Journal of Cell Biology, (16 APR 2001),

153/2 (283-294), 52 reference(s)

CODEN: JCLBA3 ISSN: 0021-9525

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article COUNTRY: United States

LANGUAGE: English
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English
AN 2001:34280215 BIOTECHNO

Proteins with expanded polyglutamine (polyQ) tracts have been AB linked to neurodegenerative diseases. One common characteristic of expanded-polyQ expression is the formation of intracellular aggregates (IAs). IAs purified from polyQ-expressing cells were dissociated and studied by protein blot assay and mass spectrometry to determine the identity, condition, and relative level of several proteins sequestered within aggregates. Most of the sequestered proteins comigrated with bands from control extracts, indicating that the sequestered proteins were intact and not irreversibly bound to the polyQ polymer. Among the proteins found sequestered at relatively high levels in purified IAs were ubiquitin, the cell cycle-regulating proteins p53 and mdm-2, HSP70, the global transcriptional regulator Tata-binding protein/TFIID, cytoskeleton proteins actin and 68-kD neurofilament, and proteins of the nuclear pore complex. These data reveal that IAs are highly complex structures with a multiplicity of contributing proteins.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:30825603 BIOTECHNO

TITLE: Molecular characterization of human tensin

AUTHOR: Chen H.; Ishii A.; Wong W.-K.; Chen L.B.; Lo S.H.

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SOURCE: Biochemical Journal, (15 OCT 2000), 351/2

(403-411), 46 reference(s)

CODEN: BIJOAK ISSN: 0264-6021

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article COUNTRY: United Kingdom

LANGUAGE: English
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English
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Tensin is a focal-adhesion molecule that binds to actin filaments and interacts with phosphotyrosine-containing proteins. To analyse tensin's function in mammals, we have cloned tensin cDNAs from human and cow. The isolated approx. 7.7-kb human cDNA contains an open reading frame encoding 1735 amino acid residues. The amino acid sequence of human tensin shares 60% identity with chicken tensin, and contains all the structural features described previously in chicken tensin. This includes the actin-binding domains, the Src homology domain 2, and the region similar to a tumour suppressor, PTEN. Two major differences between human and chicken tensin are (i) the lack of the first 54 residues present in

chicken tensin, and (ii) the addition of 34- and 38-residue inserts in human and bovine tensin. In addition, our interspecies sequencing data have uncovered the presence of a glutamine/CAG repeat that appears to have expanded in the course of evolution. Northern-blot analysis reveals a 10-kb message in most of the human tissues examined. An additional 9-kb message is detected in heart and skeletal muscles. The molecular mass predicted from the human cDNA is 185 kDa, although both endogenous and recombinant human tensin migrate as 220-kDa proteins on SDS/PAGE. The discrepancy is due to the unusually low electrophoretic mobility of the central region of the tensin polypeptide (residues 306-981). A survey of human prostate and breast cancer cell lines by Western-blot analysis shows a lack of tensin expression in most cancer cell lines, whereas these lines express considerable amounts of focal-adhesion molecules such as talin and focal-adhesion kinase. Finally, tensin is rapidly cleaved by a focal-adhesion protease, calpain II. Incubation of cells with a calpain inhibitor, MDL, prevented tensin cleavage and induced morphological change in these cells, suggesting that cleavage of tensin and other focal-adhesion constituents by calpain disrupts maintenance of normal cell shape.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:30038076 BIOTECHNO

TITLE: Polyglutamine domain proteins with expanded

repeats bind neurofilament, altering the neurofilament

network

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SOURCE: Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences, (

1999) 893/- (192-202), 49 reference(s)

CODEN: ANYAAO ISSN: 0077-8923

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COUNTRY: United States

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AB Proteins with expanded polyglutamine (polyQ) repeats cause eight inherited neurodegenerative diseases. Nuclear and cytoplasmic polyQ protein is a common feature of these diseases, but its role in cell death remains debatable. Since the neuronal intermediate filament network is composed of neurofilament (NF) and NF abnormalities occur in neurodegenerative diseases, we examined whether pathologic length polyQ domain proteins interact with NF. We expressed polyQ-green fluorescent fusion proteins (GFP) in a neuroblast cell line, TR1. Pathologic-length polyQ-GFP fusion proteins form large cytoplasmic aggregates surrounded by neurofilament. Immunoisolation of pathologic length polyQ proteins co-isolated 68 kD NF protein demonstrating molecular interaction. These observations suggest that polyQ interaction with NF is important in the pathogenesis of the polyglutamine repeat diseases.

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neurofilament and alter the neurofilament network AUTHOR: Nagai Y.; Onodera O.; Chun J.; Strittmatter W.J.;

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Eight inherited neurodegenerative diseases are caused by genes with

expanded CAG repeats coding for polyglutamine domains in the disease- producing proteins. The mechanism by which this expanded polyglutamine domain causes neurodegenerative disease is unknown, but nuclear and cytoplasmic polyglutamine protein aggregation is a common feature. In transfected COS7 cells, expanded polyglutamine proteins aggregate and disrupt the vimentin intermediate filament network. Since neurons have an intermediate filament network composed of neurofilament (NF) and NF abnormalities occur in neurodegenerative diseases, we examined whether pathologic-length polyglutamine domain proteins also interact with NF. We expressed varying lengths polyglutamine -green fluorescent protein fusion proteins in a neuroblast cell line, TR1. Pathologic-length polyglutamine-GFP fusion proteins formed large cytoplasmic aggregates surrounded by neurofilament. Immunoisolation

of pathologic-length polyglutamine proteins coisolated 68- kDa NF protein demonstrating molecular interaction. These observations suggest that polyglutamine interaction with NF is important in

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TITLE:

Oligomerization of expanded-polyglutamine

domain fluorescent fusion proteins in cultured

mammalian cells

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Biochemical and Biophysical Research Communications, (

1997), 238/2 (599-605), 29 reference(s)

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AB Six inherited neurologic diseases, including Huntington's disease, result from the expansion of a CAG domain of the disease genes to produce a domain of more than 40 glutamines in the expressed protein. The mechanism by which expansion of this polyglutamine domain causes disease is unknown. Recent studies demonstrated oligomerization of polyglutamine-domain proteins in mammalian neurons. To study oligomerization of polyglutamine proteins and to identify heterologous protein interactions, varying length polyglutamine -green fluorescent protein fusion proteins were expressed in cultured COS-7 cells. The 19-and 35-glutamine fusion proteins (non-pathologic length) distributed diffusely throughout the cytoplasm. In contrast, 56and 80-glutamine fusion proteins (pathologic length) formed fibrillar arrays resembling those previously observed in neurons in Huntington's disease and in a transgenic mouse model. These aggregates were intranuclear and intracytoplasmic. Intracytoplasmic aggregates were surrounded by collapsed intermediate filaments. The intermediate filament protein vimentin co-immunoisolated with expanded polyglutamine fusion proteins. This cellular model

will expedite investigations into oligomerization of polyglutamine proteins and their interactions with other proteins.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1997:27116471 BIOTECHNO

TITLE: HIP-I: A huntingtin interacting protein isolated by

the yeast two-hybrid system

AUTHOR: Wanker E.E.; Rovira C.; Scherzinger E.; Hasenbank R.;

Walter S.; Tait D.; Colicelli J.; Lehrach H.

CORPORATE SOURCE: E.E. Wanker, Max Planck Inst. Molekulare Genetik,

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Journal; Article

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We report the discovery of the huntingtin interacting protein I (HIP-I) AB which binds specifically to the N-terminus of human huntingtin, both in the two-hybrid screen and in in vitro binding experiments. For the interaction in vivo, a protein region downstream of the polyglutamine stretch in huntingtin is essential. The HIP1 cDNA isolated by the two-hybrid screen encodes a 55 kDa fragment of a novel protein. Using an affinity-purified polyclonal antibody raised against recombinant HIP-I, a protein of 116 kDa was detected in brain extracts by Western blot analysis. The predicted amino acid sequence of the HIP-I fragment exhibits significant similarity to cytoskeleton proteins, suggesting that HIP-I and huntingtin play a functional role in the cell filament networks. The HIP1 gene is ubiquitously expressed in different brain regions at low level. HIP-I is enriched in human brain but can also be detected in other human tissues as well as in mouse brain. HIP-I and huntingtin behave almost identically during subcellular fractionation and both proteins are enriched in the membrane containing fractions.

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2003:78741 LIFESCI ACCESSION NUMBER:

TITLE: The neuropathogenic contributions of lysosomal dysfunction

AUTHOR: Bahr, B.A.; Bendiske, J.

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Multiple lines of evidence implicate lysosomes in a variety of pathogenic events that produce neurodegeneration. Genetic mutations that cause specific enzyme deficiencies account for more than 40 lysosomal storage disorders. These mostly pre-adult diseases are associated with abnormal brain development and mental retardation. Such disorders are characterized by intracellular deposition and protein aggregation, events also found in age-related neurodegenerative diseases including (i) Alzheimer's disease and related tauopathies (ii) Lewy body disorders and synucleinopathies such as Parkinson's disease, and (iii) Huntington's disease and other polyglutamine expansion disorders. Of particular interest for this

review is evidence that alterations to the lysosomal system contribute to protein deposits associated with different types of age-related neurodegeneration. Lysosomes are in fact highly susceptible to free radical oxidative stress in the aging brain, leading to the gradual loss of their processing capacity over the lifespan of an individual. Several studies point to this lysosomal disturbance as being involved in amyloidogenic processing, formation of paired helical filaments, and the aggregation of alpha -synuclein and mutant huntingtin proteins. Most notably, experimentally induced lysosomal dysfunction, both in vitro and in vivo, recapitulates important pathological features of age-related diseases including the link between protein deposition and synaptic loss.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:45445 LIFESCI

TITLE: Amyloid-like Features of Polyglutamine Aggregates

and Their Assembly Kinetics

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Graduate School of Medicine, University of Tennessee CORPORATE SOURCE:

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SOURCE: Biochemistry (Washington) [Biochemistry (Wash.)],

200206117 vol. 41, no. 23, pp. 7391-7399 ISSN: 0006-2960.

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> The repeat length-dependent tendency of the polyglutamine sequences of certain proteins to form aggregates may underlie the cytotoxicity of these sequences in expanded CAG repeat diseases such as Huntington's disease ! We report here a number of features of various polyglutamine (polyGln) aggregates and their assembly pathways that bear a resemblance to generally recognized defining features of amyloid fibrils. PolyGln aggregation kinetics displays concentration and length dependence and a lag phase that can be abbreviated by seeding. PolyGln aggregates exhibit classical beta -sheet-rich circular dichroism spectra consistent with an amyloid-like substructure. The fundamental structural unit of all the in vitro aggregates described here is a filament about 3 nm in width, resembling the protofibrillar intermediates in amyloid fibril assembly. We observed these filamentous structures either as isolated threads, as components of ribbonlike sheets, or, rarely, in amyloid-like twisted fibrils. All of the polyGln aggregates described here bind thioflavin T and shift its fluorescence spectrum. Although all polyGln aggregates tested bind the dye Congo red, only aggregates of a relatively long polyGln peptide exhibit Congo red birefringence, and this birefringence is only observed in a small portion of these aggregates. Remarkably, a monoclonal antibody with high selectivity for a generic amyloid fibril conformational epitope is capable of binding polyGln aggregates. Thus, polyGln aggregates exhibit most of the characteristic features of amyloid, but the twisted fibril structure with Congo red birefringende is not the predominant form in the polyGln repeat length range studied here. We also find that polyGln peptides exhibit an unusual freezing-dependent aggregation that appears to be caused by the freeze concentration of peptide and/or buffer components. This is of both fundamental and practical significance. PolyGln aggregation is revealed to be a highly specific process consistent with a significant degree of order in the molecular structure of the product. This ordered structure, or the assembly process leading to it, may be responsible for the cell-specific neuronal degeneration observed in Huntington's and other expanded CAG repeat diseases.

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AB We have recently reported that, in addition to the widespread occurrence of ubiquitinated neuronal intranuclear inclusions (NIIs), the restricted occurrence of ubiquitinated intracytoplasmic filamentous inclusions in the neurons of the cerebellar dentate nucleus (CDN) is a characteristic feature of dentatorubral-pallidoluysian atrophy (DRPLA). Interestingly, these neuronal intracytoplasmic filamentous inclusions (NIFIs) were morphologically indistinguishable from the skein-like inglusions (SLIs) described previously in the spinal anterior horn cells in amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS). In the present study, we examined immunohistochemically the CDN in ten patients with Ainicopathologically and genetically confirmed DRPLA and the spinal anterior horns in five patients with sporadic ALS, using a monoclonal antibody (1C2) directed against long polyglutamine stretches. In all of the patients with DRPLA, both the NIFIs and the Nils were visualized clearly with 1C2. Conversely, in the patients with ALS all structures, including the SLIs, were completely negative. These findings indicate that in DRPLA, the NIFIs in the CDN are an alteration that is directly related to the causative gene abnormality (an expanded CAG repeat encoding polyglutamine) and that, from the molecular point of view, they are distinct from the SLIs in ALS.

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AB Huntington's disease (HD) is an autosomal dominant neurodegenerative disease associated with a CAG trinucleotide repeat expansion in a large gene on chromosome 4. The gene encodes the protein huntingtin with a polyglutamine tract encoded by the CAG repeat at the N-terminus. The number of CAG repeats in HD are significantly increased (36 to 120+) compared with the normal population (8-39). The pathological mechanism associated with the expanded CAG repeat in HD is not clear but there is evidence that polyglutamine is directly neurotoxic. We have immunolocalized huntingtin with an in-house, well-characterised, polyclonal antibody in HD, Alzheimer's disease (AD), and Picks disease (PiD) brains. Control brain tissue sections were from head injured and cerebral ischaemia cases. In HD, huntingtin was immunopositive in the surviving but damaged neurons and reactive astrocytes of the caudate and putamen. However, in AD and PiD the immunostaining was largely restricted to the characteristic intracellular inclusion bodies associated with the disease process in each case. In AD, huntingtin was localized only in the intracellular neurofibrillary tangles and dystrophic neurites within the neuritic amyloid plaques but not with the amyloid. In PiD, strongly positive huntingtin immunostaining was present within cytoplasmic Pick bodies. Our findings suggest huntingtin selectively accumulates in association with abnormal intracytoplasmic and cytoskeletal filaments of neurons and glia in neurodegenerative diseases such as HD, AD, and PiD. Cells in the CNS appear sensitive to damage by the

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aggregated, toxic levels of huntingtin and evidence of its interaction with neurofilaments could provide information about its potential role in

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AΒ We examined the cerebellar dentate nucleus (CDN) in 16 patients with hereditary dentatorubral-pallidoluysian atrophy (DRPLA), one of the neurodegenerative diseases caused by expansion of a CAG repeat encoding a polyglutamine tract in the disease protein. In all patients, some CDN neurons were found to contain ubiquitinated filamentous inclusions in their cytoplasm. On hematoxylin and eosin preparations, these filamentous inclusions were eosinophilic, basophilic or amphophilic, and were often found in areas of pale cytoplasm. Electron microscopy revealed that they consisted of bundles of filaments that were somewhat thicker than neurofilaments. These features of the present inclusions were indistinguishable from those of skein-like inclusions (SLI) previously described in the lower motor neurons in sporadic amyotrophic lateral sclerosis. We conclude that SLI can also occur in the CDN in DRPLA and believe that they reflect a characteristic pathological process in this disease.